



Snohomish County
Planning and Development Services

Aaron Reardon

County Executive

(425) 388-3311

FAX (425) 388-3670

M/S #604

3000 Rockefeller Avenue

Everett, WA 98201-4046

April 6, 2012

Dear Reader and Interested Citizen:

Addendum #34 to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the Snohomish County GMA Comprehensive Plan 10-Year Update, issued on April 6, 2012, has been prepared by Snohomish County Planning and Development Services. This addendum provides additional environmental information on the anticipated impacts from the proposed GPP4 amendments to the General Policy Plan (GPP) included in county council's Amended Motion 10-186 establishing the initial list of county-initiated amendments.

This addendum adds further information to the analysis contained in the DEIS and the FEIS to the 10-Year Update of the Comprehensive Plan in 2005. The document contains additional environmental information related to the proposed technical map and text correction amendments to the GPP. It does not identify detailed project impacts. Specific project actions will require further detailed environmental review as they are considered for implementation.

Review of the proposed ordinance for these proposed amendments will occur at a public hearing before the Snohomish County Planning Commission scheduled for April 24, 2012, and at a subsequent briefing and public hearing before the Snohomish County Council. The proposed ordinance and other related documents may be accessed through the Planning Commission's website on its agenda for the public hearing.

We invite you to comment on these proposed amendments during the County review process. If you have any questions concerning this addendum or the proposed amendments, please contact Eileen Canola at (425) 388-3311, ext. 2253.

Sincerely,

Clay White, Director

Planning and Development Services

**ADDENDUM NO. 34 TO THE
FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
FOR THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY
GMA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
10-YEAR UPDATE**

**Adoption of Technical Amendments to the General Policy Plan
of the Snohomish County GMA Comprehensive Plan for Minor Text
and Map Amendments, and to Update for City Annexations, and Changes
in Tribal Trust Lands Status.**

Prepared Consistent with

The Washington State Environmental Policy Act of 1971
Chapter 43.21C Revised Code of Washington
Chapter 197-11, Washington Administrative Code
Snohomish County Code Title 30



Snohomish County Planning and Development Services

Date of Issuance: April 6, 2012

FACT SHEET

Project Title:	Relating to the Growth Management Act (GMA), Adopting Technical Map Amendments and Text Corrections to the General Policy Plan (GPP) of the Snohomish County Growth Management Act Comprehensive Plan (GMACP) (GPP4 – TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS)
Proposed Non-Project Action:	The proposed non-project action is the adoption by the Snohomish County Council of amendments to the text and maps of the Snohomish County General Policy Plan (GPP).
Purpose of the EIS Addendum:	<p>This addendum adds information relating to the non-project programmatic county action described above. This information does not result in any new significant adverse environmental impacts and does not change the analysis of previously identified significant impacts of the alternatives to the county's GMACP within the previously issued SEPA documents dated May 5, 2004, (Draft EIS) and December 13, 2005, (Final EIS).</p> <p>This addendum is being issued in accordance with WAC 197-11-625 and WAC 197-11-630. The adopted environmental documents listed herein, together with this addendum, meet Snohomish County's environmental review needs for the current proposed amendments.</p>
Description of Proposal:	<p>Consider proposed amendments to the maps and text of the Snohomish County General Policy Plan for countywide updates associated with city annexations, changes in tribal trust lands status, and corrections for text and inadvertent mapping changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The technical correction to Policy LU 6.B.5 of the Land Use (LU) chapter will help clarify the intent of this policy and provide greater consistency with the county code. LU 6.B.5 "Nonresource-dependent tourism-related uses such as motels and restaurants serving rural and resource areas should be located within ((the)) commercial zones ((and designations of nearby towns and unincorporated rural areas)).• The text correction under "Implementing Zoning" in the Future Land Use Map section of the LU chapter strikes out the phrase "...to higher urban residential densities" from the sentence: "Within urban commercial and industrial designations, property owners may individually request rezones ((to higher urban residential densities)) consistent with the GPP policies and the GPP Future Land Use Map." <p>The portion of the sentence that is proposed to be stricken is a drafting error. It appears that this phrase in the sentence was mistakenly added to Amended Ordinance No. 05-069, which was adopted by the County Council as part of the major update to the GPP in 2005. Only the portion that is proposed to be stricken is in error.</p>

- To date, there are two proposed technical amendments to city boundaries associated with rights-of-way (ROW) annexations that may be approved by the County Council by the date of final action on this GPP4 amendment:
 - Proposed State Route (SR) 531 ROW Annexation is located near the southeast Arlington city limits. This proposed annexation has been approved by the city of Arlington through Ordinance No. 2010-002, but requires approval of the County Council. The amendment to the maps of the GPP reflects changes to tribal trust land status that occur by the date of final action on the proposed 2012 GMACP amendments.
 - Proposed SR 9 ROW Annexation located on the east side of SR9. This proposed annexation has been approved by the city of Arlington through Ordinance No. 2010-003, but requires approval of the County Council.
- To date, one proposed annexation may be finalized by the date of final action on this GPP4 amendment. The proposed city of Brier Allview Heights Annexation, is approximately 35 acres (0.51 sq. mi.) with the proposed boundary of 228th Street SW on the north, 24th Avenue W on the east, 231st Street SW on the south, and 27th Avenue W on the west side. The proposal area has a population of 110 residents and contains 38 single-family residences with four vacant lots.
- To date there are three technical amendments to the maps of the GPP for changes in tribal trust lands that may be finalized by the date of final action on this GPP4 amendment:
 - 3.73 acres removed from Stillaguamish Tribe trust land to fee simple land.
 - 0.56 acres removed from Tulalip Tribes trust land to fee simple land.
 - 15.55 are in the application stage to change from fee simple to Stillaguamish Tribe trust land.
- In addition, the County and the Tulalip Tribes are undergoing negotiations for drafting a memorandum of understanding (MOU) for collaborative planning. As part of this drafting work, the Tulalip Tribes and the County are reviewing the status of tribal trust and fee simple land relevant to the Tulalip Indian Reservation. This GPP4 proposal will capture any final decisions made from this collaborative effort that are made by the date of final action on this GPP4 amendment.
- Correct an inadvertent map change on the Future Land Use Map (FLUM), Map 1 of the GPP. The land use designation for 39 parcels located in the southwest urban growth area (SWUGA), near Mill Creek, are mislabeled as Urban Medium Density Residential. The correct land use designation for these parcels is Urban Industrial.

Location of Proposal: Snohomish County

Action Sponsor
Lead Agency: Snohomish County Department of Planning and Development Services
3000 Rockefeller Avenue, M/S #604
Everett, Washington 98201-4066

Required Approval
Review: Snohomish County Council – adoption of ordinances
Washington State Department of Commerce – coordination of state comments.

Circulation and
Comment: This addendum, or notice of availability, is being sent to all recipients of the previously issued Draft and Final EIS for the 10-Year Update of the GMA Comprehensive Plan as required by WAC 197-11-625. No comment period is required for this addendum under WAC 197-11-502(8)(c).

The proposed action is
available by
contacting: Eileen Canola, Planner
Snohomish County Planning and Development Services
3000 Rockefeller Ave., M/S #604
Everett, Washington 98201
Phone: (425) 388-3311, ext. 2253
E-Mail: eileen.canola@snoco.org

The proposed ordinances are available for viewing at the Planning and Technology Division of the Snohomish County Department of Planning and Development Services (County Administration Building West, 2nd Floor) and on the county's website. Visit www.snoco.org and type "*Plans and Reports*" in the search box and then select *Environmental Documents*.

Date of Issuance: April 6, 2012

Responsible Official: Clay White, Director
Snohomish County Planning and Development Services
3000 Rockefeller Avenue, M/S #604
Everett, Washington 98201-4066

Signature 
Clay White, Director

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Overview:

The adoption of amendments to the GMA Comprehensive Plan is a nonproject action under the Washington State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA). This Addendum is not intended to satisfy individual project action SEPA requirements (the review needed for a future site-specific land use or building permit application). This Addendum does not significantly change the analysis of impacts and alternatives contained in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) prepared in 2005 for the GMA Comprehensive Plan, nor does it identify new or significantly different impacts. This Addendum will be circulated in accordance with the procedures found in WAC 197-11-625.

Prior Environmental Review

The county published the EIS for the county's updated GMA Comprehensive Plan in 2005, in accordance with the review cycle required by the Growth Management Act (GMA). The Draft EIS, issued on May 5, 2004, presented three alternatives to accommodate population and employment growth through the year 2025. The Final EIS, issued on December 13, 2005, identified and analyzed two alternatives: (1) the County Planning Commission's Recommended Plan, and (2) the County Council Final EIS Map List. The elements of the environment addressed in the EIS document included elements of both the natural and built environment: earth, air, water, plants and animals, energy and natural resources, environmental health, population and employment, land and shoreline use, transportation, public services, and utilities.

EIS Addendum

According to the SEPA Rules, an Addendum to an EIS provides additional analysis and/or information about a proposal or alternatives where their significant environmental impacts have been disclosed and identified in a previous environmental document (WAC 197-11-600(3)(b)(ii)). An Addendum is appropriate when the impacts of the new proposal are the same general types as those identified in the prior document and when the new analysis does not substantially change the analysis of significant impacts and alternatives identified in the prior environmental documents (WAC 197-11-600(4)(e), WAC 197-11-706).

This Addendum to the GMA Comprehensive Plan EIS is being issued pursuant to WAC 197-11-625 to meet the County's SEPA responsibility. The GMA Comprehensive Plan EIS evaluated plan alternatives and impacts that encompass the same general policy direction, land use patterns, and environmental impacts that are expected to be associated with the proposed amendments identified in this Addendum.

No additional significant impacts beyond those identified in the county's EIS for the 10-Year Update are expected to occur. Revisions to the proposals may be considered during the public hearing process. To the extent that the existing environmental documents listed in this Addendum or other published documents have analyzed such revisions and adopted by reference; no additional programmatic action level environmental review will be required.

Distribution List

Federal Agencies

U.S. Natural Resource Conservation
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
National Marine Fisheries
U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

State Agencies

The Office of the Governor
Department of Ecology
Department of Natural Resources
Department of Commerce
Department of Agriculture
Department of Social and Health Services
Utilities & Transportation Commission
Department of Corrections

Department of Fish & Wildlife
Department of Health
Department of Transportation
WA State Energy Office
Office of Archaeology and Historical Preservation
Parks and Recreation Commission
Department of Transportation, Northwest Region
Recreation and Conservation Office

Regional Agencies and Interest Groups

Puget Sound Partnership
Puget Sound Clean Air Agency

Puget Sound Regional Council
Regional Transit Authority

Snohomish County Agencies and Interest Groups

Snohomish County Department of Public Works
Snohomish County Sheriff
Snohomish County Surface Water Management Div.
1000 Friends of Snohomish County
Action Council for Esperance
Agriculture Tomorrow
Arlington Heights Comm.
Canyon Firs Homeowners Assn.
Community Transit
Economic Development Council of Sno County
Edmonds Chamber of Commerce
Everett Chamber of Commerce
Everett Transit
Friends of Florence Acres
Futurewise
Housing Authority of Snohomish County
Jordan Road Citizens
Kayak Pt. Citizens Group
League of Women Voters
Little Bear Cr. Protective Assn.
Martha Lake Community Club
Martha Lake Homeowners
Master Builders Assoc. of King and Sno Co

Snohomish County Parks and Recreation Department
Snohomish County Solid Waste Division
Snohomish Health District
McKee's Evergreen Beach
North Creek Rural Areas
North Marysville Citizens
Picnic Point Community
Pilchuck Audubon Society
Possession Bay Association
Professional Consultants of Snohomish County
Silver Lake Action Comm.
Smartgrowth Campaign
Snohomish Arlington Trail Coalition
Snohomish County Conservation District
Snohomish County/Camano Island Board of Realtors
Snohomish Wetlands Alliance
So. Sno. Co. Chamber of Commerce
Sound Transit
Stillaguamish Citizens Alliance
Swamp Creek Locust Way
Tom Ehrlichman
Wandering Creek Homes
Stillaguamish Flood Control District

Neighboring Planning Departments

Island County Planning Dept.
Skagit County Planning Dept.

Dept. of Dev. & Environ. Services (King Co.)
Chelan County Planning Dept.

Tribes

Muckleshoot Tribes
Sauk/Suiattle Tribe

Tulalip Tribes
Stillaguamish Tribe

Utilities

Alderwood Water District
Lake Stevens Sewer District
Olympic View Water and Sewer District
Silver Lake Water and Sewer
Snohomish County PUD No. 1
Highland Water Assn.
Seven Lakes Water Assn.
Sky Meadow Water Assn., Inc.

Cross Valley Water District
METRO
Mukilteo Water District
Puget Sound Energy
Cascade Natural Gas
Roosevelt Water Assn.
Three Lakes Water Assn.
King County Wastewater Treatment Division

Cities

City of Arlington
City of Brier
City of Edmonds
City of Gold Bar
Town of Index
City of Lynnwood
City of Mill Creek
City of Mountlake Terrace
City of Snohomish
City of Sultan
Tulalip Tribes

City of Bothell
Town of Darrington
City of Everett
City of Granite Falls
City of Lake Stevens
City of Marysville
City of Monroe
City of Mukilteo
City of Stanwood
Town of Woodway

School Districts

Arlington School District
Edmonds School District #15
Granite Falls School District
Lake Stevens School District
Marysville School District
Mukilteo School District
Snohomish School District
Sultan School District

Darrington School District
Everett School District
Index School District
Lakewood School District
Monroe School District
Northshore School District
Stanwood School District

Fire Districts & Ports

Fire District 1 South County
Fire District 4 Snohomish
Fire District 7 Clearview
Fire District 10 Bothell
Fire District 12 Marysville
Fire District 15 Tulalip
Fire District 17 Granite Falls
Fire District 19 Silvana
Fire District 21 Arlington
Fire District 23 Robe
Fire District 25 Oso
Fire District 27 Hat Island
Paine Field Fire District

Fire District 3 Monroe
Fire District 5 Sultan
Lake Stevens Fire Communications
Fire District 11 Silver Lakes
No. County Regional Fire Authority
Fire District 16 Lake Roesiger
Fire District 28 Index
Fire District 22 Getchell
Fire District 24 Darrington
Fire District 26 Gold Bar
Port of Everett
Port of Edmonds

Newspapers

The Herald
Arlington Times
Snohomish County Tribune
Bothell-Kenmore Reporter
Monroe Monitor
Marysville Globe
Mukilteo Beacon

Lake Stevens Journal
Seattle Times-North Bureau
Mill Creek Enterprise
Woodinville Weekly
Enterprise Newspaper
The Edmonds Beacon

Libraries

Arlington Library
Brier Public Library
Edmonds Public Library
Granite Falls Library
Lynnwood Public Library
Mill Creek Library
Mountlake Terrace Library
Sno-Isle Regional Library
Stanwood Library

Bothell Library
Darrington Library
Everett Public Library
Lake Stevens Library
Marysville Public Library
Monroe Library
Mukilteo Public Library
Snohomish Public Library
Sultan Library